CLAIM LISTING

- 1-28. (Cancelled)
- 29. (Currently Amended) A method for optimizing power consumption in a communication system comprising:

detecting an amount of traffic;

detecting a link;

detecting battery usage with an absence of AC power, wherein battery usage is possible with AC power;

 $\mbox{ detecting a power state of the communication} \\$ system; and

selecting at least one power management state from a plurality of power management states based at least in part on the detection of the amount of traffic, the detection of the link, the detection of battery usage with an absence of AC power, and the detection of the power state.

- 30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29 wherein said power is scaled in relationship to said detected amount of traffic.
- 31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, wherein detecting an amount of traffic further comprises

detecting whether the amount of traffic is above a certain non-zero threshold.

- 32. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, wherein detecting an amount of traffic further comprises approximating the amount of traffic, and wherein the amount of traffic exceeds zero.
- 33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 32, wherein said power is scaled in relationship to said approximated amount of traffic.